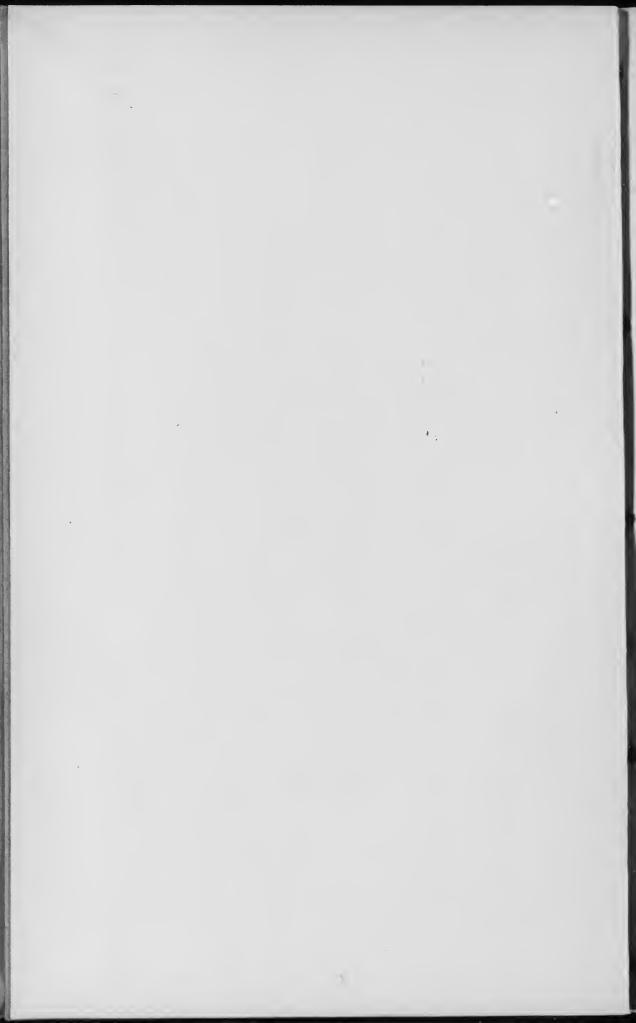


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EMORY UNIVERSITY





1894-1903

PROCEEDINGS

-OF THE-

EIGHTY-FIRST SESSION

-OF THE-

MISSISSIPPI ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

FIRST DAY.

MERIDIAN, MISS., Dec 12, 1894.

The Eighty-First Session of the Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met in the Sunday School room of the Methodist Church, in Meridian, Mississippi, at 9 a.m., December 12, 1894, Bishop John C. Keener, presiding.

Bishop Keener read II Timothy, II Chapter, announced Hymn 218, which was sung by the Conference, and offered prayer.

The Secretary of the last Conference called the roll and the following answered to their names or were present during the session, viz:

R. A. Sibley, J. A. B. Jones, A. B. Nicholson, W. B. Hines, H. P. Lewis, W. B. Lewis, N. B. Young, C. G. Andrews, I. B. Robertson, W. W. Hurst, W. L. C. Hunnicutt. R. B. Downer, F. M. Williams, P. Howard, R. D. Norsworthy, D. P. Bradford, J. S. Parker, D. G. W. Ellis, J. H. Evans, C. McDonald, P. A. Johnston, J. W. Ellison, J. W. McLaurin, T. S. West. R. J. Jones, R. Bradley, D. C. Langford, T. B. Holloman, C. D. Cecil, R. S. Woodward, C. A. Powell, B. F. Jones, B. S. Rayner, W. W. Simmons, J. P. Drake, I. W. Cooper, H. R. Caldwell, T. W. Brown, G. Bancroft, L. Carley, I. L. Peebles, W. W. Cammack, J. T. Nicholson, J. W. Chambers, L. P. Meador, E. F. Edgar, N. M. Clark, A. D. Miller, W. R. Sims, T. W. Adams, R. F. Witt, J. W. Brown, J. W. Harmon, J. V. Penn, H. W. Featherstun, T. L. Mellen, M. H. Moore, B. F. Lewis, A. F. Watkins, H. D. Hówell, L. S. Jones, D. Merchant, J. G. Sibley, W. W. Morse, V. V. Boone, R. Selby, M. L. Burton, N. B. Harmon, J. M. Morse, W. D. Dominick, G. H. Galloway, R. A. Breland, W. H. Huntley, J. N. Ware, W. P. Jones, F. M. Keen, J. G. Cammack, J. D. Crymes, J. G. Galloway, W. G. Forsythe, H. M. Ellis, J. M. Cowan, H. Mellard, W. H. Lewis, H. C. Brown, C. W. Crisler, W. M. Stevens, H. L. Norton, P. H. Howse, B. W. Lewis, M. L. White, H. W. Wallace, J. W. Tinnin, K. S. Enochs, G. A. Guice, W. J. Ferguson, J. W. Crisler, H. B. Trevillion, W. T. Griffin, G. R. Ellis, J. T. Abney, W. J. Dawson, J. M. Weems, W. W. Hopper, J. N. Tucker, H. J. Harris, R. W. Bailey, H. E. Partridge, W. C. Black, J. F. Marshall.

The following roll of lay members was called, and those marked "P" were present, viz:

EMORY UNIVERSI HTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

INECTORY HERAD

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.—L. P. Brown, P. T. P. Bell, P. D. S. Harmon, P. W. S. Davis, P.

Brookhaven District.-J. S. Beasley, P. M. M. Black, P. H. G. Godbold, P.

B. Garrett, P.

Brandon District.—W. M. Thornton, P. G. M. Hull, P. S. S. Cope, P. G. B. Harper.

Jackson District.—C. C. Campbell, P. W. H. Cassell, G. P. Blundell, R. H.

Smith.

Vicksburg District.—T. A. Holloman, Jno. A. Guice, P. L. B. Johnston, J. D. Ireland, P.

SEA SHORE DISTRICT.—J. S. Turner, J. A. McLeod, A. K. Worthy, I. H. C.

Cook.

Woodville District.—J. M. Sessions.

C. G. Andrews was elected Secretary with the following assistants, viz: J. A. B. Jones, W. R. Sims, J. W. Chambers, J. G. Galloway, W. L. Linfield, G. H. Galloway.

The hours of 9:00 A.M., and 12:30 P.M., respectively, were appointed as the

times of meeting and adjournment.

The bar of the Conference was fixed to include that part of the Church east of a line running across from the inside of the fourth window.

The following committees nominated by the Presiding Elders were elected, viz:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Public Worship.—D. A. Little, R. S. Woodward, B. F. Lewis, W. W. Hopper, D. Scarborough, B. F. Ormond.

STATE OF THE CHURCH.—W. H. Lewis, L. Carley, R. W. Bailey, G. B. Harper,

J. A. B. Jones, I. H. C. Cook, C. A. Powell.

Publishing Interests.—J. W. Crisler, J. F. Marshall, B. S. Rayner, J. P. Drake, W. G. Forsythe, B. Garrett, H. W. Featherstun.

Conference Relations.—A. D. Miller, N. M. Clark, W. W. Morse, R. F.

Witt, F. M. Williams, J. G. Sibley, J. W. Brown.
BIBLE CAUSE.—J. A. Guice, W. W. Hopper, W. T. Griffin, R. Bradley, A. K. Worthy, I. C. Enochs, N. B. Young.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.-J. D. Ireland, W. W. Moore, H. G. God-

bold, J. G. Cammack, W. J. Ferguson, R. Selby, J. M. Sessions.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.—Geo. A. Guice, H. W. Van Hook, M. L. Burton, G.
M. Hull, C. C. Campbell, J. S. Turner, W. P. Jones.

TEMPERANCE.—W. M. Stevens, T. P. Bell, J. H. Thompson, B. H. Rawls, W.

H. Cassell, F. M. Keen, R. S. Gale,

Memoirs.—W. W. Wallace, Geo. H. Galloway, W. L. Linfield,

Epworth League.—R. J. Jones, B. F. Lewis, W. W. Williams, H. W.

Featherstun, H. B. Trevillion, C. W. Crisler, R. W. Bailey.

A communication from the Publishing House at Nashville, was read and

referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests.

A communication from the Board of Missions was read and referred to the Conference Board of Missions.

A paper from Dr. Morton, Secretary of Church Extension, was read and

referred to the Conference Board of Church Extension.

A communication from the Board of Education was read and referred to the Conference Board of Education.

A paper from Dr. Steel, editor of the Epworth Era, was read and referred

to the Committee on the Epworth League.

A report from the Paine and Lane Institutes was read and referred to the Board of Education.

T. B. Holt, Esq., Missionary Treasurer, and Rev. Mr. Lewis, Pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in this city, were introduced to the Conference.

A paper from T. L. Mellen, President of the State Board of Sabbath Observance, was read and referred to the Committee on Sabbath Observance.

Question 6.—The Sixth Question was called. "Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?" The following who were embraced in the Louisiana Conference by the change of boundaries were received by transfer from the Louisiana Conference, viz: W. M. Sullivan, J. T. Leggett, W. L. Linfield, S. Gale, R. B. Downer. The following was received from the Japan Mission inference, viz: Henry G. Hawkins, in the second year.

The Eighteenth Question was called. Who are superannuated? The following was received from the Japan Mission inference, viz: Henry G. Hawkins, in the second year.

towing were passed and referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuated relation, viz: D. Merchant, Thomas Price, J. W. Harmon, A. B. Nicholson, W. E. Ballard, W. B. Hines, H. J. Harris, E. A. Flowers, Geo. Bancroft, J. M. Pugh and J. A. Vance, Passed and left on the effective list, J. T. Nicholson.

It was announced that George T. Vickers had died during the year, and his name was referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

The Seventeenth Question was called. "Who are Supernumerary?" The following were passed and recommended to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Supernumerary relation, viz: J. W. Sandell, J. S. Parker.

The Tenth Question was called. What local Preachers are elected Deagons? The following preparty recommended by their respective Querterly.

cons? The following properly recommended by their respective Quarterly Conferences were elected, viz: Joseph Martin Alford, from the Jackson Circuit; George Marion Hull, from the Rose Hill Circuit; John Robert Hays, from the Carthage Circuit; Joseph Alonzo Bishop, Wesson Station; Murray Gabriel Felder, from the Summit Station; James Nicholas Broadway, from the

Matthersville Circuit.

Question Twelve was called. What traveling Preachers are elected Elders? The following having passed a satisfactory examination were passed and elected, viz: Geo. A. Guice, John W. Crisler, Henry W. Wallace, Kirby Smith Enochs, Wiley J Ferguson, Wm. M. Stevens, Francis M. Keen.

The following were passed and continued in the fourth year, not having been examined, viz: Geo. H. Thompson and Albert C. Flowers.

Question Seven was called. Who are the Deacons of one year? The following were passed and continued, viz: W. T. Griffin, C. C. Evans, B. W. Lewis, G. R. Ellis, J. T. Abney, W. J. Dawson, M. L. White, W. M. Sullivan. R. A. Sibley was appointed on the Committee on Memoirs in place of G. H. Galloway, and T. S. West was added to same Committee.

The Committee on Public Worship announced that R. W. Bailey would preach at 3 p.m., and I. W. Cooper at 7 p.m., in the Methodist Church.

The Conference joined with Bishop Keener in singing, "We are marching upward to Zion," and was adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Keener.

SECOND DAY.

MERIDIAN. MISS., Dec. 13, 1894.

The Conference met at 9 A.M., Bishop Keener in the Chair. The religious service was conducted by R. D. Norsworthy.

The roll was called. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion the calling of the roll was dispensed with during the remainder of the session.

Question Six. "Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?" E. E. Langford in first year was received from the Texas Conferwas called.

On motion of J. M. Weems, Conference resolved to hold its sessions after

the morning session in the main audience room of the Church.

C. G. Andrews reported that 3,000 copies of the Minutes were printed and distributed this year, at a cost of printing, \$186.81, and of postage of \$42.15. That this year the same will cost for printing, \$170.67, and the postage will be about the same, \$42.15, which will cost each of the contributing interests, Sunday School Board, Joint Board of Finance, Board of Missions, Board of Education, Board of Church Extension \$42.56.

Reports were read from the officers of the following institutions and were referred to the Board of Education, viz: Whitworth Female College, East Mississippi Female College, Millsaps College.

The report from Edward McGehee College for Girls, was referred without reading to the Board of Education.

The Seventh Question was resumed. "Who are the Deacons of one year?" The following were passed and advanced to the class of the fourth year, having stood approved examinations, viz: J. T. Leggett, J. W. Tinnin, W. M. Sullivan. The following were continued in the class of the third year, not having stood approved examinations, viz: J. G. Cammack, H. C. Brown, A. B. Trevillion.

R. B. Downer was added to the Committee on Memoirs. Question Eight was called. "What traveling Preachers are elected Deacons?" The following were passed and elected, viz: H. B. Vandenberg, P. D. Hardin, A. T. Bell, H. G. Hawkins. The following were passed in orders as local Deacons, viz: R. H. Barr, H. W. Van Hook and W. J. Roberts.

The following were passed and continued in the class of the second year,

viz: M. J. Miller, J. S. Hodges.

Question Three was called. "Who are discontinued?" And Jerome R.

Whittington was discontinued.

Question Twenty was called. "Are all the Preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" H. R. Caldwell was passed and he was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuated relaterred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuated relation. The following were passed, viz: A. F. Watkins, H. L. Norton, T. S. West, L. S. Jones, E. F. Edgar, D. C. Langford, F. M. Williams, J. A. B. Jones, J. P. Drake, W. R. Sims, W. D. Dominick, I. W. Cooper, W. C. Black, E. H. Mounger, R. S. Woodward, B. F. Lewis, W. W. Hopper, I. L. Peebles, L. Carley, R. A. Breland, N. M. Clark, D. G. W. Ellis, L. P. Meador, T. B. Holloman, D. A. Little, J. M. Cowan, J. M. Morse, R. F. Witt, B. S. Rayner, B. H. Rawls, J. W. Ellison, J. H. Evans, R. A. Sibley, R. Bradley, G. H. Galloway, W. W. Cammack, H. Mellard, J. G. Galloway, R. J. Jones.

The following were introduced to the Conference, viz: Rev. J. A. Bowen, of the North Mississippi Conference: Rev. J. E. Jones, Pastor of the Presby-

of the North Mississippi Conference; Rev. J. E. Jones, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church in this City; Rev. W. J. David, Pastor of the East End Baptist Church and Rev. W. W. Drake, of the Louisiana Conference.

A collection was taken for the benefit of Rev. W. W. Cammack, Missionary

to the Indians in the bounds of the Conference, amounting to \$38.85.

The Committee on Public Worship announced that L. S. Jones would

preach in the Methodist Church at 3 p.m., and W. B. Lewis at 7 p.m.

The Conference united with Bishop Keener in singing two verses of "Children of the Heavenly King," and was adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Keener.

THIRD DAY.

MERIDIAN, MISS., Dec. 14, 1894.

The Conference met in the Auditorium of the Methodist Church at 9 A.M., Bishop Keener in the Chair.

The religious service was conducted by R. B. Downer. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The bar of the Conference was determined to be inclusive of that part of the Church East of a line running across the Church from the outside of the third window.

Question Two was called. "Who remain on trial?" The following were passed and advanced to the class of the second year having stood approved examinations, viz: T. H. King, in orders as a local Deacon; R. E. Rutledge, in orders as a local deacon, and W. W. Moore, W. M. Williams, F. B. Ormond.

The following were passed and were continued in the class of the third year, viz: C. M. Crossley, A. C. Burt, J. H. Foreman, G. W. Huff, T. J. Norsworthy.

The following were introduced to the Conference, viz: Rev. W. R. Lambuth, D. D., Missionary Secretary, and W. W. Smith, LL. D., Secretary of the

General Board of Education.

Dr. Smith addressed the Conference upon the subject of Education, and the plans to promote it by the General Board of Education.

Dr. W. R. Lambuth addressed the Conference upon the subject of Missions.

Bishop Keener also addressed the Conference on the same subject.

C. G. Andrews raised in cash and subscriptions seven hundred and sixtyfive dollars, to send Rev. John Burruss Fearn, M. D., as a Missionary to China. Conference joined Bishop Keener in singing the verse beginning, "His name yields the richest perfume," and was adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Keener.

FOURTH DAY.

MERIDIAN, MISS., Dec. 15, 1894.

Conference met at 9 A.M., Bishop Keener in the Chair. The religious service was conducted by W. B. Hines. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Second Question was called. "Who remain on trial?" M. M. Black, E. T. Breland, C. F. Emery, D. Scarborough, A. H. Shannon, J. D. Ellis having stood approved examinations were passed and continued.

J. C. Ellis not having stood an examination was passed and continued in

the class of the first year.

Question Ten was resumed. "What local Preachers are elected Deacons?" The following having been three years consecutively local Preachers, and having been on trial one year in the Conference, were approved by the Conference and elected, viz: M. M. Black, A. H. Shannon. The following being duly recommended by their respective Quarterly Conferences, were elected, viz: John D. Ellis and Thomas Henry Harrod.

J. H. Evans, passed previously, was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuated relation.

Question Sixteen was called. "Who are located this year?" A. C. Flow-

ers, J. F. Marshall, at their own request.

The following were introduced to the Conference, viz: Dr. J. J. Tigert, book editor; Dr. W. B. Murrah, President Millsaps College; Rev. Nicholas Augustus, of the North Mississippi Conference.

Question Six was resumed. "Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?" James A. Moore, in Elder's orders from the Alabama Confer-

ence

Question Four was called. "Who are admitted into full connection?" The following reported before as having stood approved examinations were called before the altar, were addressed by the Bishop, answered satisfactorily the questions of the Discipline, and were admitted, viz: H. B. Vandenberg, H. W. Van Hook, R. H. Barr, J. P. Roberts, P. D. Hardin, A. T. Bell, H. G. Hawkins.

The Twentieth Question was resumed. "Are all the Preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" The following were passed, viz: H. W. Featherstun, J. W. Brown, N. B. Young, C. A. Powell, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, D. P. Bradford, C. McDonald, T. W. Adams, N. B. Harmon, J. V. Penn, R. Selby, J. G. Sibley, H. D. Howell, W. G. Forsythe, H. E. Patridge, C. G. Andrews, W. H. Lewis, A. D. Miller, C. D. Cecil, H. M. Ellis, C. W. Crisler, W. B. Lewis, J. D. Crymes, P. H. Howse, T. W. Brown, B. F. Jones, W. W. Simmons, J. N. Tucker, J. M. Weems, M. H. Moore, T. L. Mellen, W. G. Backus, I. B. Robertson, R. W. Bailey, W. W. Morse, W. W. Hurst, J. W. Chambers, L. J. Jones, H. P. Lewis, M. L. Burton, V. V. Boone, J. W. McLaurin, R. D. Norsworthy, P. Howard.

C. G. Andrews reported that he had received from Geo. M. Barton, Esq., \$37.50 us interest on the Van Houten Bequest Fund

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Question Twenty-Nine was called. "What amount is necessary for the Superannuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers?" Answer, \$5,000.00.

Question Thirty. "What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?" \$4,203.20. [For application see report of Joint Board of Finance.]

W. A. Gunning read the report of the Joint Board of Finance, which was adopted and the funds were distributed, viz:

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

MERIDIAN, MISS., Dec. 15, 1894.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: -The Joint Board of Finance, respectfully submit to you the following as their report for the year just closing, together

with suggestions for the corring year:

The Board is still of the opinion that the plan of Quarterly payments is the most desirable. The claimants are almost without exception better satisfied, and desire its continuance, and though we were unable to make the third Quarterly payment, the same plan has been adopted for the coming year.

If the Board can secure the co-operation of the preachers, and a united action upon their part, we will be able to carry out the proposed plan. We further recommend the observance of Veterans day, and appoint the 1st Sunday in March as that day. The Sunday or Sundays following to be used on Cir-

cuits where one Sabbath will not suffice.

In order that there may be a uniform observance of the day, the Board will prepare a programme and furnish it to our preachers and their congrega-tions. It is hoped that the information furnished therein may be used, and that the Conference Claimant's Collection may be taken on its merits, separate and distinct from all others. If this be done, your Board is confident that there will be no deficiency, or lack of means to meet the obligations that are placed upon us. We again recommend that the District Stewards be called together at an early day so that the apportionments may be made in good time. The failure to make them need not be a bar to the collection.

We have made the following apportionments for our claimants for the year 1895, payments to be made April 1st, July 1st and October 1st, with a

final settlement at Conference:

APPORTIONMENTS.

Mrs. F. M. Stewart\$150	00 Mrs. V. H. Johnson\$100 00
Mrs. William Finn 100	
Mrs. A. M. Barrington 75	
Mrs. T. Y. Armstrong 100 (
Mrs. J. N. Williams 100 (
Mrs. S. Dawson 125 (00 Mrs. E. R. Strickland 100 00
Mrs. H. H. Montgomery 100	
John Calhoun 50 (00 Mrs. D. M. Wiggins 125 00
Mrs. J. J. Smylie 100	
Rev. Thos. Price 200 (
Miss Alice Brogan 50 (00 Mrs. J. L. Forsythe 100 00
Mrs. J. A. Newsom 25 (00 Mrs. H. F. Johnson 150 00
Mrs. L. W. Wood 125	

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APPORTIONMENTS-	-Continued.

Rev. W. B. Hines\$300 00	Rev. E. A. Flowers \$ 50 00
Mrs. J. M. Gann 50 00	
Mrs. J. D. Hayes 100 00	Mrs. C. C. Watkins 20 00
Mrs. Ben. Jones 100 00	Otis Calhoun 25 00
Rev. H. J. Harris 100 00	Rev. H. R. Caldwell 150 00
Mrs. J. A. Ellis 100 00	Rev. George Bancroft 150 00
Rev. D. Merchant 100 00	

The assessments for the Conference Claimants for the year 1895, is \$6,000.00 divided among the various Districts as follows:

Districts.	Assts.	Districts.	Assts.
1 Natchez 2 Vicksburg 3 Jackson 4 Brookhaven	800 00 850 00	6 Enterprise 7 Meridian	660 00 720 00

* The amounts for Bishops for the year 1895, is \$1,500.00, divided among the various Districts, as follows:

1	Natchez	\$200	00	5	Brandon	\$165	00
2	Vicksburg	200	00	6	Sea Shore	165	00
3	Jackson	225	00	7	Enterprise	165	00
4	Brookhaven	200	00	8	Meridian	180	00

We report the collection for Bishops by Districts, as follows:

	Assessed.	Paid.	Excess.	Deficit.
Jackson District\$	3 260 00	\$ 262 50	\$ 2 50	S
Vicksburg District	260 00	260 00	******	*******
Brookhaven District	250 00	250 00		******
Meridian District	260 00	222 72		37 28
Sea Shore District	155 00	144 00		11 00
Woodville District	155 00	155 00		
Brandon District	155 00	157 75	2 75	
	81,495 00	\$1,451 97	\$ 5 25	\$ 48 28

There is a deficit of \$33.03 on the whole amount. This is not quite so large

as the deficit of last year.
For Conference Claimants, the amount assessed for this year was \$5,000.00 divided and collected as below:

Districts.	Assessed.	Paid.	Excess.	Deficit.
Jackson		\$ 629 25		\$220 75
Meridian		642 55		207 45
Vicksburg	850 00	681 10		168 90
Brookhaven		$632\ 00$		168 00
Woodville	600 00	568 50		31 50
Sea Shore	550 00	466 80		83 20
Brandon	500 00	382 90		117 10
		\$4,003 10		\$996 90

We find in the collection a deficit of \$996.90. The Woodville District came nearest paying it in full.

The failure to bring up this collection has caused the Board to be unable

to pay the claimants the amount promised them.

This is to be regretted. We have been able heretofore to more than do

this is to be regretted. We have been able heretolore to more than do this. Many homes will be made sorrowful by our failure.

The deficit on the payment is 7 per cent.

Referring to the collection for Conference Claimants, your Board regret to report a falling off of receipts from all sources. There are some preachers who have never failed to report this collection as "paid in full," while others do not seem to appreciate the needs of those for whom it is intended. We are of the opinion that there is no charge within the bounds of our Conference where

if the cause is properly presented that will not respond gladly to it. While your Board very much dislike to complain, we cannot think a minister wholly without blame who fails to report this collection as paid.

We are without any help from the Publishing house this year, beyond the interest from the Calvin Fund. Last year we received from them \$690.00. We have no report from them, and are without any official notification as to the

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We report to the credit of the Conference Fund, as follows:		
Received from regular collections	\$3,968	10
Received interest from Calvin Fund	27	00
Received interest from General Endowment Fund	173	
Received special contribution from Sea Shore District	25	00
Received special contributions from Woodville District	10	00
Received special contributions from woodvine District	10	- 00
	\$4,203	20
	P 1 ,200	20
We have paid to claimants on the		
First and Second Quarters	\$2.137	50
Disbursed at Conference	2.032	25
Balance on hand	33	45
	\$4,203	20
The amounts paid to claimants are as follows:	P1,200	20
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PAID TO		
Mrs. F. M. Stewart	Ø 190	50
Mrs. Wm. Finn	\$ 199	00
Mrs. will Filli	95	
Mrs. A. M. Barrington	. 69	75
Mrs. T. Y. ArmstrongG. H. Galloway	93	00
Mrs. J. N. Williams	93	
Mrs. S. Dawson		
Mrs. J. A. Newsom	23	
Mrs. L. W. WoodW. B. Lewis	114	
Rev. W. B. HinesSelf	186	
Mrs. J. M. Gann	46	
Miss Alice Brogan	46	50
Mrs. J. D. HaysW. W. Morse	93	00
Mrs. Ben. Jones	69	75
Rev. H. J. HarrisSelf	93	00
Mrs. J. A. Ellis H. M. Ellis	93	00
Rev. Thomas PriceW. M. Thornton	186	
Mrs. J. J. SmileyJ. J. Smiley	93	
Rev. D. MerchantSelf		
Mrs. H. D. BerryH. P. Lewis	93	
Mrs. V. H. JohnsonG. A. Guice	93	
Mrs. D. W. Dillehay H. R. Caldwell	69	
Mrs. Wm. Wadsworth	69	
Mrs H H Montgomery W M Thornton	139	
Mrs. H. H. MontgomeryW. M. Thornton	114	
Mrs. Mat. CalhounW. M. Thornton	114	
Mrs. E. R. Strickland	69	
Mrs. G. M. Gilmore	114	
Mrs. G. M. Gilmore L. L. Feedles		
Mrs. D. M. Wiggins		
Mrs. J. A. Godfrey E. F. Edgar	93	
Mrs. W. G. MillsapsR. D. Norsworthy	46	
Mrs. J. L. Forsythe	93	
Rev. A. B. NicholsonSelf	139	
Rev. E. A. Flowers	46	
Mrs. H. F. JohnsonW. M. Thornton	69	
Mrs. G. HawkinsSelf	69	
Rev. W. E. BallardW. B. Lewis	186	00

Mrs. C. C. WatkinsJ. W. Crisler.....

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Rev. J. T. Nicholson	Self\$	186	00
	Self		
Rev. Geo. Bancroft	Self	139	50
	H. C. Brown		
	W. M. Thornton		
Mrs. P. Cooper	·		
Mrs. W. A. Watkins			
Rev. John W. Harmon			
Mrs. W. W. Drake	•		

JNO. W. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

W. A. GUNNING, Secretary.

The Committee on Public Worship made the following appointments for preaching, viz: Methodist Church Saturday 3 p.m., R. M. Standifer; 7 p.m., J. J. Tigert.

SUNDAY APPOINTMENTS.

Central Methodist Church, Love Feast at 9 A.M., conducted by P. A. Johnston; 11 A.M., Bishop Keener, followed by the ordination of Deacons; 3:30 P.M., Dr. J. J. Tigert, followed by the ordination of Elders; 7 P.M., Memorial Service; Sacrament administered by C. G. Andrews.

East End-11 A.M., T. L. Mellen; 7 P.M., H E. Partridge. West End-11 A.M., N. B. Harmon.

South Side—11 A.M., M. L. Burton; 7 P.M., W. W. Simmons. First Baptist Church—11 A.M., H. W. Featherstun; 7 P.M., W. R. Sims. Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church—11 A.M., J. W. Chambers; 7 P.M., J. V.

First Presbyterian Church—11 A.M., W. C. Black; 7 P.M., W. L. C. Hunnicutt.

West End Presbyterian Church—11 A.M., B. S. Rayner; 7 P.M., J. G. Cammack.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church -11 A.M., W. B. Murrah; 7 P.M., T. S. West.

Congregational Church—11 A.M., A. F. Watkins; 7 P.M., I. L. Peebles. African Methodist Episcopal Church-3 P.M., E. T. Breland; 7:30 P.M., W. W. Morse.

St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church—3 p.m., C. W. Crisler; 7:30 p. m., F. M. Keen.

The presiding Elders were appointed a Committee to nominate the various Boards and Examining Committees to stand for four years.

Conference sang the Hymn beginning "Lord in the strength of Grace," and was adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Keener.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

MERIDIAN, MISS., Dec. 16, 1894.

The Conference met at 7 P.M. J. M. Weems in the Chair by appointment of the Bishop.

The Religious Service was conducted by J. M. Weems.

The Nineteenth Question was called. "What Preachers have died during the past year?" George T. Vickers.

R. B. Downer read the following which was adopted as the

MEMOIR OF REV. GEORGE T. VICKERS.

Rev. George T. Vickers, was born in Sudlersville, Queen Anne County, Maryland, July 12th, 1821, and died at Covington, La., November 22d, 4 A.M.,

1894, after a brief illness of some seven days.

At the time of his death he was upon the superannuated list and headed the Conference roll, as the oldest member in unbroken connection. Brother Vickers was converted in Exeter street Methodist Episcopal Church, Baltimore, Md., January 1840. Shortly afterwards, he "started West," as it was then called, thinking to go to the State of Tennessee, but landed in Mississippi, and engaged in the avocation of school teacher.

November 1846, while living on what was called Cole's Creek Circuit, Rev. Benjamin M. Drake being presiding elder, he was licensed to preach; and in December of the same year, at Natchez, Miss., he entered the Mississippi Con-

ference on trial.

The early records of the Mississippi Conference having been destroyed by fire, I have not been able to note the different charges he served during his active ministry. He was ordained deacon by Bishop Paine, at Vicksburg, 1848, and ordained elder by Bishop Capers, 1850. After an active ministry, till about the year 1862 or 3, on account of impaired health, he was placed upon the supernumerary list. He then located himself at Covington, St. Tammany Parish, La., where he has resided ever since. While supernumerary, he supplied Covington Circuit several times, and when not officially engaged by the presiding elder, he kept up wayside appointments, in obscure neighborhoods, as long as he was able to get about safely to his health. For several years past he has been upon the superannuated roll, though, never a beneficiary to any great extent, he having accumulated sufficient means to provide for his own maintenance.

Of classical education, he had the ability to grace a metropolitan pulpit, yet, he shrank from notoriety, and confined himself for the past thirty-five years to St. Tammany Parish, La. He was a Bible student, and ardently devoted to church history. He was an able defender of Methodist doctrines, and firmly believed that Methodism was the handiwork of God; as his ingeniously written book, "Methodism in Prophecy," attests.

He was of poetical turn of mind, and the effusions from his pen will bear criticism. He loved to preach the Gospel as well as sing it, for he felt that

the glad news had done great things for him.

Brother Vickers was a pious man and of religious habits. His reverence for God and holy things, was profound. Conscientious to an extreme degree,

his standard of righteousness was very exalted.

Feeling that the use of tobacco was sinful, he resolved before the Lord, to quit it, but having so long been a victim to the tobacco habit, in an evil hour he broke his vow, and ever after, felt that while God forgave him, still, he was kept in the outer court, not permitted to see the King's face. This troubled him to the end of life.

Brother Vickers was a lover of the poor, as many a widow and orphan in St. Tammany Parish can testify. The last article from his pen was, "The Claims of Charity," and published in the local paper, with the editorial notice

Brother Vickers never married. Seventy-three years of pilgrimage did not take the boy out of his heart. He loved the children, and the children loved him. He was the Superintendent of Covington Sunday School, and the last public address of his ministry, was a talk to the Sunday School, the Sunday prior to his attack of illness.

His health had been precarious for some time, and about November 15th, he became quite weak, with slight fever. Having during 1891, and '93, made the acquaintance of Rev. H. W. Wallace, Brother Vickers expressed a desire to have him sent for, which was done. We were both with him during the last days of his life daily, ministering spiritual consolation. He said he was trusting solely in the Lord, and committed himself fully into His hands. November 22d he peacefully passed into rest. That he loved the church, is manifest

in the last will and testament, wherein he bequeaths jointly to the General Board of Missions, M. E. Church South, and the Conference Fund of the Mississippi Conference, for the benefit of superannuated ministers, widows and orphaus, whatever is realized from the sale of his town property, after all debts

are paid.
We buried him from the Methodist Church at Covington, Brother Wallace preaching the sermon. The building was crowded by saint and sinner, anxious to pay some tribute to his memory. The Sunday School children in a body followed him to the grave and embowered it with flowers. Everybody felt that a man of God had been called from labor unto rest.

ROBERT B. DOWNER, For the Committee.

Remarks in memory of the deceased were made by C. McDonald, N. B. Young, H. W. Wallace, T. W. Brown and J. M. Weems.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered and the memorial session was adjourned with the benediction by C. G. Andrews, at the request of President Weems.

FIFTH DAY.

Meridian, Miss., Dec., 17, 1894.

The Conference met at 9 A.M. Bishop Keener in the Chair. Religious Service was conducted by W. L. C. Hunnicutt.

The Minutes of Saturday's Session and those of the Memorial Service Sunday night were read and approved.

Bishop Keener announced that on Sabbath after sermon by himself, from

John xxi, 1. he had ordained the following Deacons:

Question Nine. "What traveling Preachers are ordained Deacons?" Harrison B. Vandenberg, Paul D. Hardin, Adolphus T. Bell, Henry G. Hawkins. Question Eleven. "What local Preachers are ordained Deacons?" Joseph M. Alford, Geo. Marion Hull, Jno. Robert Hays, Joseph Alonzo Bishop, Murray G. Felder, J. Nicholas Broadway, McKendree M. Black, J. Harvey Shannon, John D. Ellis, Thos. Henry Harrod.

Bishop Keener also announced that after Sermon from Dr. J. J. Tigert, Text Luke xxii, 31, 32, he, assisted by C. McDonald, E. H. Mounger, P. A. Johnston, R. D. Norsworthy, H. E. Partridge, J. M. Weems, had ordained the fol-

lowing Elders on Sunday afternoon:

Question Thirteen. "What traveling Preachers are ordained Elders?"
Geo. A. Guice, Jno. W. Crisler, Henry W. Wallace, Kirby S. Enochs, Wiley J.
Ferguson, Wm. M. Stevens, Francis M. Keen.

Question Fifteen was also called. "What local Preachers are ordained

Elders?" Answer, none. A letter from Mr. F. Byerly, merchant of Carey, was read, announcing the

death of J. S. Hodges. Hymn 618 was sung, prayer was offered by T. W. Brown.

On motion of J. M. Weems, H. M. Ellis was appointed a Committee to prepare a Memoir of Brother Hodges for publication in the Advocate, he being only a member on trial in the Conference.

The following nominations were made by the presiding elders, and ap-

proved by the Conference, viz:

Board of Education—A. F. Watkins, R. W. Millsaps, C. G. Andrews, H. C. Mounger, B. F. Lewis, H. B. McGehee, M. L. Burton, J. S. Sexton, J. T. Nicholson, G. B. Harper, I. W. Cooper, W. H. Ormond, I. L. Peebles, C. P. Weatherby, T. W. Adams, G. W. Ellis.

Board of Church Extension—M. H. Moore, W. L. Nugent, G. A. Guice, T. A. Holloman, W. W. Simmons, J. M. Sessions, I. B. Robertson, H. B. Godbold, R. Bradley, A. G. Mayers, T. B. Holloman, John Watts, D. P. Bradford, S. J. Johnson, N. B. Harmon, J. S. Turner.

Board of Missions—T. S. West, Peter James, J. P. Drake, W. H. Scudder, W. B. Lewis, P. A. Richardson, B. F. Jones, G. W. Burton, B. H. Rawls, Irvin Miller, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, L. P. Brown, J. V. Penn, W. S. Davis, W. G. Forsythe, J. A. McLeod.

BOARD OF COLPORTAGE—H. W. Featherstun, T. L. Mellen, H. M. Ellis, J. N. Tucker, G. H. Thompson, R. Selby, R. F. Witt, M. L. White.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD—C. A. Powell, R. L. Bennett, W. M. Stevens, I. O. Loyd, J. W. Brown, John A. Guice, H. P. Lewis, C. A. Redding, W. W. Cammack, A. J. Brown, H. G. Hawkins, J. B. Chatfield, F. M. Keen, S. H. Terrall,

J. G. Sibley, E. W. Lampton. EPWORTH LEAGUE—J. W. Crisler, J. G. Cammack, W. L. Linfield, R. W. Bailey, W. J. Roberts, H. W. Van Hook, H. B. Trevillion, R. B. Downer.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

Admission on Trial—W. B. Lewis, T. S. West, T. B. Holloman. First Year—R. J. Jones, J. W. Chambers, W. R. Sims. Second Year—I. W. Cooper, B. F. Lewis, R. W. Bailey. Third Year—E. H. Mounger, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, J. M. Weems. Fourth Year—H. W. Featherstun, L. Carley, H. M. Ellis.

VISITING COMMITTEES.

MILLSAPS COLLEGE—J. M. Morse, C. A. Powell, W. C. Wilkinson. WHITWORTH FEMALE COLLEGE—E. F. Edgar, H. P. Lewis, T. P. Barr. East Mississippi Female College—L. Carley, D. P. Bradford, D. W. Hei-

PORT GIBSON FEMALE COLLEGE—W. M. Stevens, J. W. Crisler, L. B. Johnson. EDWARD McGehee College for Girls—B. S. Rayner, M. J. Miller, J. M.

The report of the Committee to prepare an epitaph for the tomb of Rev. J. W. Lambuth, D. D., in Japan was adopted as follows:

EPITAPH.

REV. JAMES WILLIAM LAMBUTH, D. D. BORN MARCH 2, 1830. DIED APRIL 28, 1892.

The Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, (U. S. A.) would enshrine in perpetual honor the memory of their brother, who, for nearly forty years of self-denial, labored with marked success as a Missionary in China and in Japan.

"They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever." Dan

xii, 3.

Heroically consecrated in life; triumphantly victorious over death; he reigns with Christ eternally.

Prepared by the Committee, C. G. Andrews, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, J. P. Drake.

R. S. Gale passed previously, was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Superannuated relation.

Question Twenty was resumed. "Are all the Preachers life and official administration?" W. P. Jones was passed. "Are all the Preachers blameless in their

The following was read and adopted as the report of the Conference Endowment Fund.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF ENDOWMENT FUND.

The Trustees of the Conference Endowment, met this 14th day of December 1894. Treasurer R. J. Jones submitted the following report which was adopted, viz:

REPORT OF TREASURER—CONFERENCE ENDOWMENT FUND.

To bonds, 6 per cent " " 8 per cent " Notes, Barton " Cash " Interest on 6 per cent. bonds " " " 8 per cent. bonds (less commissions) " " Barton notes	625 57 23	00 98 85 75
By interest per general board	2,656 173	
To balance	2,482	98

R. L. JONES, Treasurer.

MERIDIAN, MISS., December 13, 1894.

The outstanding notes in favor of the Endowment Fund were turned over for collection to the Chairman of the Joint Board of Finance with the authority to compromise if necessary and collect them with the understanding that 50 per cent. of his collections be turned over to the Joint Board of Finance and the balance to be paid to this board.

The trustees recommend that T. L. Mellen, President; B. F. Jones, Vice-President; C. G. Andrews, Secretary; R. J. Jones, Treasurer; B. S. Rayner, J. P. Drake and J. W. Chambers, be elected Trustees of the Endowment Fund for the ensuing year.

T. L. MELLEN, President.

C. G. ANDREWS, Secretary.

A. F. Watkins read the following, which was adopted as the report on Orphans Home:

REPORT OF THE ORPHANS' HOME COMMITTEE.

Your Committee appointed to consider the need and practicability of establishing an Orphans Home under the auspices of our Church in this State, beg leave to report as follows:

First.—We are convinced of the necessity of our making some systematic provision for the care of the helpless children who have a right to look to us for help, and believe that the establishment of a home, where they may be cared for until more permanent provision can be made for them, is the most practicable method that can be adopted.

Secondly.—We note with pleasure the presence of Rev. J. A. Bowen, of Macon, Miss., who comes to us as one of three Commissioners from the North Mississippi Conference, appointed to confer with a similar commission from this Conference in regard to the establishment of an Orphans' Home in this State under the auspices of the Mississippi and North Mississippi Conferences, and respectfully recommend that the following action be taken by this Conference, to-wit:

That a Commission to consist of two Preachers and one layman, be appointed to confer with a similar Commission from the North Mississsippi Conference upon this matter, and further, that each presiding elder of the Conference be requested to select a man in his District, who will undertake to visit the various appointments of the District and promote the interests of this cause, and that we request the North Mississippi Conference Commission to do all in their power to secure the same action upon the part of the presiding

Elders of the North Mississippi Conference; that the Commission whose appointment is herein suggested shall report to the next Session of this Conference.

Respectfully,

W. A. GUNNING, Chairman.

A. F. WATKINS, Secretary.

In accordance with the above recommendation, the following Commission was appointed, viz: R. J. Jones, A. F. Watkins, W. A. Gunning.

N. B. Harmon read the following, which was adopted as

THE REPORT OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

We regret to announce a serious deficit in the collections of the past year for the cause of Church Extension. The assessment on the Mississippi Conrerence was \$2,820.00, while the receipts from all sources have amounted to \$1,584.15, giving a deficit of \$1,235.85. As compared with last year, there is a deficit of \$192.45.

We trust this is due to no lack of interest in the cause of Church Extension. We believe it is not; for ministry and laity have awakened to the fact, that this cause is second to none other, in our great connection.

We attribute the largeness of the deficit solely to the financial depression

which has reigned over our entire country.

We would respectfully call attention to the fact, that, since the Conference discountenanced public collections during our annual sessions, the Board has been cut off from a hundred dollars, or more, each year, which otherwise would have gone to help needy Churches.

The collections from the several Districts are as follows:

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Jackson\$ Vicksburg			
Meridian	475 00 475 00	272 293	30 20
Sea Shore	330 00	170	00
Brandon			
Total\$2,	820 00	\$1,584	15

There were fifteen applications asking for \$1,800.00, while the Board had \$792.07 $\frac{1}{2}$, with which to meet these urgent requests. Eight of these applications were granted donations, while five were conditionally aided.

The Churches receiving help are as follows:

Scranton, Jackson county	£150	00
Summit, Pike county		
Long Beach, Harrison county		
Raleigh, Smith county		
Union, Wilkinson county	40	00
Why Not, Lauderdale county		
New-Hope, Wayne county	37	50
Hope Well, Kemper county	25	00

The Churches conditionally aided are as follows:

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Walnut Grove\$	50	00
Clinton		
Holders	37	50
Pine Grove	25	00
Orange Grove	25	00
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Total distributed to Churches......\$705 0

REPORT OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION—Continued.

To D. Morton, for Church Ex. literature		80 56
Total disbursements	85	36
Balance in Treasury\$	6	$70\frac{1}{2}$

The application from the Wesson Church was before the Board, but could not be acted upon, as they had not secured a lot nor fixed the site of the building. The Church they contemplate building is a move in the right direction, and we recommend that liberal aid be granted when the site of the church is located and the lot secured by warranty deed to the M. E. Church, South.

In February of the present year, at the request of the Secretary of the General Board of Church Extension, your Secretary compiled a list of all the churches aided within the bounds of the Mississippi Conference since the organization of the Board in 1882.

That you may realize the extent and importance of our work, at the suggestion of Dr. Morton we reproduce the list in our annual minutes.

Churches aided by the Mississippi Conference Board since its organization in 1882:

1883-84.	1888-89.

1. 2. 3.	Bogue Chitto, Lincoln Co., Seranton, Jackson Co., Mizpah, Jefferson Co., 1884-85.	\$ 50 200 125	23. 24. 25. 26. 27.	McGowan, Clarke Co.,\$ Carthage, Leake Co., *Rolling Fork, Sharkey Co., Bethany, Simpson Co., Bethel, Covington Co.,	50 100 123 50 50
5.	*McComb, Pike Co., Sukalena, Lauderdale Co., †Saundersville, Jones Co., New Prospect, Smith Co., Flora Church, Madison Co.,	117 39 39 39 100	28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33.	Beech Springs, Neshoba Co., †*Harriston, Jefferson Co., Lebanon, Jefferson Co., Knoxville, Franklin Co., Oak Grove, Franklin Co., Beulah, Issaquena Co.,	60 100 75 100 65 100
	1885-86.			1889-90.	**
14. 15. 16. 17. 18.	Poplarville, Marion Co., Purvis, Marion Co.,	100 100 100 40 50 75 50 75 50 75	29. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42.	†*Harriston, Jefferson Co., Payne Chapel, Marion Co., Okohay, Covington Co., Union, Newton Co., Sarepta, Claiborne Co., Anding, Yazoo Co., Matthew's Chapel, Lincoln, St. Mary's Chapel, Pike Co., Gasque Chapel, Smith Co., Rogers, Cedar Grove, Amite Co.,	100 50 75 125 50 200 100 100 50 50 25
	†*West Jackson, Hinds Co., †Lawrence, Newton Co.,	175 50	18. 44.	†Pelahatchie, Rankin Co., Spring Hill, Kemper Co.,	$\frac{125}{100}$
	1887-88.		45. 46.	†Bethel, Sharkey Co Campbellville, Sunflower Co.,	50 50
20.	Laurel, Jones Co.,	75		†Stonewall, Clarke Co.,	100
21.	McNair, Jefferson Co.,	125	48.	Handshoro. Harrison Co.,	75
	†*West Jackson, Hinds Co.,	150	49.	Blue Hill, Jefferson Co.,	50
22.	Gallman, Copiah Co.,	75	50.	Pine Grove, Neshoba Co.,	50

1890-91.	1892-93.
51. Spring Hill Church, Newton,\$ 52. Pachuta, Clarke Co.,	72. Poplar Springs, Marion Co., 50 5 73. Good Hope, Leake Co., 50 7 74. Blountville, Lawrence Co., 50 7 75. Montrose, Jasper Co., 50 7 76. S. Side, Meridian, Lauderdale 150 7 77. De Kalb, Kemper Co., 100 1893-94.
60. Mt. Zion, Covington Co.,	78 Scoobs Kemper Co
62. *Biloxi, Harrison Co	0 82. New Hope, Wayne Co.,
1892-93.	93 Churches\$7,672
70. Trenton, Smith Co.,	
IV. By the Mississ	IPPI CONFERENCE BOARD.
1884-85.	1890-91.
 Amite City, Tangipahoa Par.,\$ 7 *Franklinton, Washington Par., 11 	8. Killian Chapel, St Helena Par., \$50 9. Fisher Chap., Washington Par. 75
1886-87	1891-92.
3. Wilson, East Felliciana Par., 5 1887-88.	11. Wesley Chapel, St. Helena Par. 25 5. †Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Par., 40
4. Slaughter, East Feliciana Par., 10 1888-89.	1892-93.
5. †Ponchatoula, Tangipahoa Par., 10	
	0 1893-94. 13. Live Oak, Livingston Par., 45
1889-90. 7. Wesley, Tangipahoa Par., 5	
V. By the	GENERAL BOARD.
I. In the Germa	n Mission Conference.
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1883-84. 1. *Buetoville, East Felicia	na Par., \$100
· IV. In the Mi	ssissippi Conference.
1886-87. 1. *Franklinton, Washingt	Donated. Loaned. on Par.,\$100

III. BY THE GENERAL BOARD.

1. In the Mississippi Conference.

•		Donated.	Loaned.
1885-86.	1.	*McComb, Pike Co.,\$100	
		*Carlisle, Claiborne Co., 50	*****
	3.	*W. Jackson, Hinds Co., 300	
1889-90.		*Rolling Fork, Sharkey Co., 200	
1892-93.	5.	Camden, Madison Co., 100	
		*Harriston, Jefferson Co., 100	
1893-94.	7.	*Biloxi, Harrison Co., 750	
		· Terry, Hinds Co.,	200
		8 Churches,	\$200

THE WOMAN'S PARSONAGE AND HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

We report progress in this department. They held their First Annual Meeting at Ellisville, during the session of the Sea Shore District Conference of this year. The collections from all sources for this purpose during the year amounted to \$243.63.

Two parsonages were aided, viz: Montrose \$50, Coffadalia \$50.

The election of officers for the ensuing year, resulted as follows: President,

Mrs. E. P. Mellen; Meridian, Mrs. R. Kennedy; Jackson, Mrs. W. A. Gun-

In regard to this important work, the Board would urgently recommend to the Pastors of the various charges, to organize their local aid Societies into Auxiliaries of the Parsonage and Home Mission Society, and thus make them connectional.

How to APPLY FOR AID.

In regard to applying for aid we give the following directions:

1. Send to your Conference Secretary for blank forms.

2. State whether you want a blank application for aid on the Conference Board or the General Board. These blanks are not the same nor can you change them so as to make one suit the purpose of the other.

3. Answer every question. Do not think that some are unimportant. The Board would not ask the question if it were not important. Do not mend

the blank but fill it.

How to Apply for Aid to Build a Parsonage.

The Secretary of the Board of Church Extension will furnish blank applications for aid both on the Conference Society and Parent Society.

Fill out the blanks and send them to Mrs. S. S. Cope, Secretary of the Con-

ference Society, Paulding, Miss.

The assessments upon the several Districts are as follows:

Vicksburg. \$	450 00	Natchez\$	280	00
Jackson		Enterprise		00
Brookhaven				
Sea Shore.		Total\$2	.820	00

The officers of the Board for 1895, are as follows; President, Rev. T. B. Holloman; Vice-President, Rev. R. Bradley, Montrose; Secretary, N. B. Harmon, Bay St. Louis; Treasurer, Mr. T. A. Holloman, Pheniles. T. B. HOLLOMAN, President.

N. B. HARMON, Secretary.

H. W. Featherstun read the following, which was adopted as

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

The communication of the Book Agents, referred to your Committee, informs us that, notwithstanding the general financial depression, our Publishing House is in a prosperous condition, doing a business of more than a quarter of a million of dollars per year. We are gratified to learn this, and also, that our agents have issued during the past year, eight new books and two new editions of old ones. We urge all of our preachers and people to be loyal to our Publishing House; for it is our own, and its possibilities for good to the cause of Christ are very large.

We are gratified to learn of an increase in the circulation of our Review, which has been changed from a quarterly to a bi-monthly. We mark with pleasure the improvement manifest under the editorship of Dr. Tigert. We heartily commend the Review to our preachers and thoughtful laymen. No young

preacher is faithful to himself who fails to read this Review.

The Nashville Christian Advocate, ably edited by Drs. Hoss and Boswell, is our central organ, and deserves our support both because of its relation to the Church and of its superior merit. We commend its elegant mechanical finish, as well as its editorial management. Every official member of our Church should be a subscriber of this great connectional organ of our Church.

The Epworth Era, organ of the Epworth Leagues, has its mission, which is a very important one, and is filling that mission. It is yet very young, but we expect great things of it. We urge our young people everywhere to take and read the Era; and we trust that the preachers will secure subscriptions to it.

Our own Conference Organ, the New Orleans Christian Advocate, under editorship and management of our Brother Rev. W. C. Black, D. D., demands and deserves our heartiest commendation and support. We are happy to be able to say that the Advocate is one of the best family papers published. believe that our Methodism would be wonderfully advanced in Mississippi if this Advocate could be put into the homes of all our people; for we cannot imagine a true intelligent Methodism possible without the information concerning the Church which we get only from such Conference Organs as the New Orleans Christian Advocate.

We note with pleasure, considerable improvement in our various Sunday

School publications; and commend the efforts in that direction of our new Sunday School Editor, Rev. W. D. Kirkland, D. D.

We commend the Review of Missions as one of the best periodicals of its kind now printed anywhere. If it were generally circulated, the conscience of our Church on this most important matter would be very greatly aroused.

We present for your adoption, the following:

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to co-operate heartily with our Conference Colporter in getting the books of our Publishing House into the hands of all of our people.

Resolved, That we will earnestly endeavor to put the New Orleans Christian Advocate into every Methodist home within our Conference; and that we will do all we can to prevent the Advocate being crowded out by certain other papers published at a distance, which, by adopting certain racy methods more diverting than commendable, or by stressing some controverted dogma, seek patronage from a wider area, and can therefore afford to ask lower rates.

Resolved, That the presiding Bishop be requested to reappoint Rev. W. C. Black, D. D., as Editor and Publisher of the New Orleans Christian Advocate; and that Revs. W. B. Lewis, R. J. Jones and R. W. Bailey be elected Publishing Committee for the same.

B. S. RAYNER, Chairman.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN, Secretary.

Dr. Tigert addressed the Conference in behalf of the Quarterly Review, and Dr. Black on the New Orleans Christian Advocate. C. G. Andrews read the following, which was adopted as the

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Board of Education makes the following exhibit of the several institutions of learning under our control, from reports submitted to them, viz:

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

Is enjoying a very high degree of prosperity. More than two hundred students have been enrolled to date of the present session, "and the pupils are entitled to the highest commendation for their diligence in study and admirable deportment." The students have also shown "remarkable religious activity." "The Y. M. C. A., maintains a thorough organization and is powerfully influential in moulding the dominant sentiment of the student body."

There is on hand an endowment fund of \$107,000.00, invested in good interest bearing securities. The Treasurer, Major R. W. Millsaps, is exceedingly careful and painstaking in the management of all the finances of the College.

The Financial Agent, Dr. I. W. Cooper, has been diligent and faithful in presenting the claims of the College, and has raised in cash and subscriptions, \$4,000.00, of which \$800.00 have been expended in building a Memorial Cottage for use of the students, in honor of the late Rev. John A. Ellis, of the Mississippi Conference.

Major Millsaps has also built a cottage costing \$625.00. Both these cot-

tages greatly increase the boarding facilities of the College.

Mr. J. R. Bingham has made a gift of \$500.00 for equipping the scientific

department.

Major Peter James pays the entire expenses of boarding and tuition for one student during the present session. A layman of the Vicksburg District

also pays the expenses of one student.

The proposition of Major Millsaps to duplicate all gifts to the College up to \$25,000.00 still stands open, and furnishes an eloquent appeal to all lovers of

Christian Education.

The increased patronage calls for enlarged accommodations.

There are now in attendance, sixty young men preparing for the ministry and sons of ministers. Neither of these classes has to pay any tuition. Hence the Conference is urgently asked to increase the collections for Education.

WHITWORTH FEMALE COLLEGE.

Of this institution we quote from the report of the President of the Board of Trustees, which was read to the Conference, viz: "When President Fitzhugh surrendered his lease and retired, the Trustees found themselves in a very embarrassing position. No rent of any kind had been paid by the outgoing President; the buildings were not in a proper condition of repair, and there was no school furniture to which we could lay claim.

"The College had lost somewhat of its ancient prestige, and much was required to be done to bring it to favorable notice. In the exigency, our worthy brother, John W. Chambers kindly consented to throw himself in the breach and accept the Presidency of the College. We hazard nothing in saying that the mantle of the lamented Johnson has fallen on worthy shoulders. With unexampled energy, untiring zeal, intelligent labor, painstaking care, and the expenditure of all his available means he has wrought marvelous changes."

All the instructors employed in the institution are faithful, capable and enthusiastic.

"Brother Chambers is entitled to the thanks and substantial gratitude and patronage of the entire Church. If he be but seconded and sustained, as he deserves, Whitworth College will in a short time become the Female University of the State."

This Board heartily commends the scheme for raising the Johnson Endowment Fund. It will be a deserved and proper tribute to the benificence and consecrated labor of Dr. H. F. Johnson, and it will be at the same time a means of bringing the education of young women within the reach of even the poorest classes. This Board bids President Chambers God-speed in this enterprise, and does hereby give him hearty endorsement, as he presents his plan to all who desire to bestow their gifts upon a most worthy object.

We recommend that J. W. Chambers be appointed President of the Col-

lege.

EAST MISSISSIPPI FEMALE COLLEGE.

This institution "is in the midst of a very prosperous session." Up to date there has been a matriculation of 104 pupils. All of the departments are kept up. The Faculty consists of eight members, all of whom are thoroughly competent and experienced teachers. The property is valued at \$25,000, and is insured. Much improvement has been made on the buildings and grounds at a cost of \$500.

The debt which hangs over the property greatly militates against the success of the Institution. This Board unites most heartily with the Board of Trustees in trusting that some plan of relief may be discovered in the near future.

We recommend that Rev. T. B. Holloman be re-appointed President.

EDWARD MCGEHEE COLLEGE FOR GIRLS.

The last term closed well, with seventy-one pupils and six graduates. Dr. H. W. Featherstun resigned the presidency and Prof. J. A. Monroe, A. M., of Trinity College, N. C., was elected. The attendance of students is constantly increasing and the teachers employed are competent and sufficient for the work. We commend this college to the favorable consideration and patronage of our people.

PORT GIBSON FEMALE COLLEGE.

From a report of the President of the Board of Trustees we learn that under the presidency of W. H. Huntley, this college still has a fair degree of prosperity, and that it still offers a good school home and thorough instruction to the daughters of our people.

CENTENARY COLLEGE OF LOUISIANA.

This venerable Institution has passed out of the bounds of our Conference by the action of the last General Conference. In surrendering our official supervision, it is but becoming that we put upon record our sincere sorrow that we have not done more in the past to sustain and develop this Institution, which perhaps, more than any other one in the Methodist connection is entitled to be enshrined in the affection and esteem of our people on account of the money, and the labors, and the prayers, and the faith bestowed upon it by our fathers. We hereby give over to the brethren of the Louisiana Conference all our right, title and interest in Centenary College, fervently praying and confidently believing that they will do more to make our beloved old College a grand success, now that they have it under their own control, than we both did while the responsibility was divided.

PAINE AND LANE INSTITUTES.

These Institutions for the education of the colored people are entitled to our faithful help. We are glad to note that they are succeeding well, and recommend that the sum of \$500.00, assessed to our Conference by the authorities, be pro rated among the pastoral charges and collected.

GENERAL BOARD OF EDUCATION.

This Board acknowledges the good done by the visit and address of Dr. Smith, the Secretary of the General Board of Education, and recommend that the plans submitted by him be adopted. They are as follows, viz:

REPORT No. 2 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

"The action of the last General Conference in constituting a Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the election of a Secretary of Education, we regard as eminently wise. In order to complete the organization in our own Conference and to facilitate the work in behalf of this important interest of the Church, your Board recommends the adoption of the following:

"1. This Conference shall elect a Conference Secretary of Education, to serve without salary, to whom the several District Boards of Education, here-

inafter provided for, shall report immediately upon their organization. It shall be the duty of the Conference Secretary of Education to see that the District Boards be furnished with catalogues of all our institutions and with all information necessary to the prosecution of the work of the District Boards, and to keep a roster of teachers desiring situations, and to put them in correspondence with the Boards applying for teachers.

"2. This Conference shall also elect a Conference Treasurer of Education, to whom all moneys belonging to the Conference Board of Education shall be paid and who shall pay out of the said funds the expenses of the Secretary of the Board for stationery, printing, etc., and the traveling expenses of members of the District Boards when in the discharge of their duties as members of the Board, and shall present an itemized statement of all moneys received and disbursed by him to the Annual Conference Board of Education, with vouchers therefor.

II. DISTRICT BOARDS OF EDUCATION.

- "Every District Conference shall elect, for a term of two years, four laymen, and the Presiding Elder shall appoint three Preachers from his District, as a District Board of Education. The Presiding Elder, shall be ex-officio a member of the Board, and he shall have power to fill any vacancies occurring in the Board, in the interim of District Conferences. He shall call a meeting of the Board for his District in the month of April, which shall effect its own organization and report the same to the Conference Secretary of Education; and lay such plans for their work in the District as in their judgment are advisable. The four laymen upon this Board shall be ex-officio members of the District Conference. It shall be the duty of the District Boards of Education:
- 1. "To secure through the Local Boards of Education, hereinafter provided for, such facts concerning the number of children and young people of our own Church of school age and the facilities for education within their bounds as shall enable the Church to know the needs of our people; to secure from the Secretary the names of such teachers as desire situations, and to do all in their power to supply the local needs within the bounds of their several Districts; to procure the names and addresses of such young people as may be induced to attend our Academies and Colleges, and to report them to the Faculties; personally to aid the agents of our schools in whatever way possible when canvassing within their bounds; and to report in writing to the District Conference the work of the Board for the year, together with the statistics before mentioned.
- 2. "No student for our ministry shall be admitted to our Academies or College as a beneficiary student, who has not been recommended to the District Board by the Local Board of the charge in which he holds his membership, and by the District Board to the Faculty of the institution which he proposes to enter. When such application is made and approved, the District Board shall diligently enquire what amount of aid is absolutely necessary for such applicant, to meet expenses other than tuition, and shall inform the Local Boards of the amounts expected of them; and the Local Boards shall raise the amounts in such way as they shall deem best; and the said amounts, when raised, shall be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Conference Board of Education with information for whom it is to be used.
- 3. "No school shall be recommended to the patronage of our people by the District Conferences that has not secured the approval of the District Board of Education.

III. LOCAL BOARDS.

- "In each pastoral charge there shall be a Local Board of Education, consisting of three members, to be elected by the Quarterly Conference upon nomination of the preacher in charge. It shall be the duty of the Local Boards:
- 1. "To co-operate with the pastor and Sunday-School Superintendent in arranging and executing a programme for Children's Day.

- 2. "To secure, as far as possible, the statistics called for by the District Board of Education.
- 5. "To aid the representatives of our educational institutions in the canvass of the charge.
- "To recommend to the District Board of Education such persons as they approve as beneficiary candidates for the ministry, and to raise the amount laid upon the charge by the District Board.
- 5. "To report in writing to the District Board of Education the statistics gathered by them of the educational work within the pastoral charges, together with the number of students attending our institutions of learning from their charges.
- "In order to carry this organization into effect at once, we recommend that the Presiding Elders be requested now to name four laymen in each of their several Districts to be elected by this Conference, to act until the meeting of the District Conference, and that the Presiding Elders to be appointed add to these, immediately after the appointments are made, the clerical members necessary to complete the Board.

This Board would recommend most heartily to all our people the "Ministerial Educational Association," which is doing a much needed work in affording aid to those young men preparing for the ministry, who are not able to furnish the necessary means. We think that money invested in this way will pay the largest and most enduring revenue to the Church.

There has come into our hands from the collection for education from the

pastorates the sum of \$1,056.07.

The last Conference resolved to divide the amount for education between Millsaps and Centenary Colleges, according to the attendance of minister's sons and young men preparing for the ministry from this Conference. cording to the report of the respective Presidents we apportion to Millsaps College, \$585.50; to Centenary College, \$172.55. This leaves for Paine & Lane Institutes the sum of \$251.60 and for publishing Minutes, \$46.42.

We recommend that \$1772.00 be assessed to the Pastoral charges upon the basis of the assessment for Bishops; \$1,000.00 for Millsaps College; \$500.00 to

Paine and Lane Institutes and \$272.00 for the General Board.

We recommend that W. A. Gunning be appointed to look after the collections on Children's Day, and that A. F. Watkins be appointed to prepare sta-

tistics of Education according to the request of the General Board.

We request through the Conference, that the Preacher in charge of each pastorate where a Female College is located, be instructed to look carefully into the title of the College, and report to the session of the next Conference. We offer the following, viz:

Resolved 1. That we will continue to devote ourselves to the sustenance and patronage of our Institutions.

Resolved 2. That we will heartily co-operate with the General Board of Education, in their plans submitted to the Churches.

C. G. ANDREWS, Chairman.

Dr. W. B. Murrah addressed the Onference in the interest of Millsaps College. Dr. Hunnicutt, for Centenary College. President Chambers, in behalf of Whitworth Female College, and President Holloman in behalf of East Mississippi Female College, and P. A. Johnston, in behalf of Edward McGehee College for girls.

T. L. Mellen read the following, which was adopted as

THE REPORT OF BOARD OF COLPORTAGE.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:

Your Colportage Board report that our general Colporter, Bro. W. D. Dominick, has traveled very generally through the bounds of our Conference and met with gratifying success. Notwithstanding the depressed financial condition of the country the volume of business has not decreased. We recommend the appointment of Rev. W. D. Dominick as General Col-

porter for the ensuing Conference year.

We ask that this Annual Conference require the General Colporter to furnish the President of this Board, within the next thirty days, a true balance sheet, showing the condition of the depository. We are entitled to this under paragraphs 399 and 400 of the Book of Discipline.

We urge our President and our members to even greater liberality in buying from Laird & Dominick, who own the Depository, and have put into the

business all their capital and energy.

T. L. MELLEN, Chairman.

R. J. JONES, Secretary.

The Committee on Conference Relations made their report, which was adopted, giving answers to the following questions, viz.:

Question Seventeen. "Who are Supernumerary?" J. W. Sandell, J. S. Parker.

Question Eighteen. "Who are Superannuated?" Thos. Price, D. Merchant, A. B. Nicholson, W. E. Ballard, W. B. Hines, H. J. Harris, E. A. Flowers, George Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, John A. Vance, J. M. Pugh, H. R. Caldwell, J. H. Evans, R. S. Gale.

The Bishop announced the following

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

CLERICAL—J. W. Chambers, H. L. Norton, J. D. Crymes, B. S. Rayner, L. Carley, R. S. Woodward, D. A. Little, H. D. Howell.

LAY—T. E. Simmons, W. A. Gunning, W. G. Paxton, Richard F. Reed, W. M. Thornton, D. S. Harmon, C. R. Rencher, J. J. Stevens.

On motion Conference resolved to meet this P.M. at 3 o'clock.

Conference sang the verse, beginning, "Oh to grace how great a debtor," and was adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

MONDAY-AFTERNOON SESSION.

MERIDIAN, MISS., Dec. 17, 1894.

Conference met at 3 p.m., Bishop Keener in the Chair. Religious service was conducted by J. W. Harmon.

The Minutes of this morning's session were read and approved.

J. W. Chambers read the report of the Statistical Secretary, which was adopted.

The following questions were asked and answered, viz:

Question 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference? Local preachers, 156; white members, 35,017; Indians, 40; colored, 3.

Question 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,179.

Question 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,268.

Question 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 18.

Question 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 484.

Question 26. What is the number of Sunday schools? 341.

Question 27. What is the number of Sunday School teachers? 1,967.

Question 28. What is the number of Sunday School scholars? 16,473.

Question 31. What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign, \$5,897.21; Domestic, \$2,712.81.

What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,606.25. Question 32.

Question 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$336.10.

Question 34. What has been contributed for the support of Presiding Elders and Preachers in Charge? Presiding Elders, \$8,590.93; Preachers in charge, \$63,133.41.

Question 35. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$1,400.23.

Question 36. What is the number of Societies, and the number and estimated value of Church buildings? Societies, 406; Churches, 375; Value, \$395,431.00.

Question 37. What is the number of Pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Number of charges, 120; Number Parsonages, 94; value Parsonages, \$81,125.00.

Question 38. What is the number and value of District parsonages? Number District parsonages, 4; value, \$4,500.00.

What are the Educational Statistics? Edward McGehee College, for girls, teachers, 5; pnpils, 53; value, \$10,000. East Mississippi Female College, teachers, 8; pnpils, 104; value, \$25,000. Millsaps College, teachers, 9; pupils, 206; value, \$50,000; endowment, \$107,000. Port Gibson Female College, teachers, 5; pupils, 39; value, \$10,000. Whitworth Female College, teachers, 8; pupils, 105; value, \$75,000.

R. W. Bailey read the following, which was adopted, as

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EPWORTH LEAGUES.

To the Mississippi Annual Conference:

Brethren:—Your Committee on Epworth Leagues, report as follows:

We esteem the Epworth League, the very best means of accomplishing certain results. Its work is much needed. Our young people should be thoroughly trained in the knowledge of the Scriptures in the Sunday School; but additional training in applied Christianity, which prepares them for active work for Jesus in public testimony and prayer, is indispensable; and this training is best furnished through the Epworth League. Its promotion means the revival among our young people of the best elements of the class-meeting. It likewise supplements the work of the Sunday School in teaching our young people the essential doctrines and usages of Methodism.

The League does not receive the favorable consideration it deserves. Very few of our pastoral charges have organized Leagues; and of the few organized, a large percentage are not doing satisfactory work. Information as to methods, and stimulus to invigorate the League idea are very much needed.

A communication has been referred to your Committee from the General Secretary, in which he expresses regret for certain unfortunate utterances in the Epworth Era, and gives abundant assurance that hereafter the paper will

keep close to its proper work.
We commend the disclaimer of Dr. Steel; we have full confidence, based upon this assurance, in the future management of the paper; and we recommend the circulation of the Era as extensively as possible throughout our Conference, as an efficient means of disseminating information and activity in League organization.

The work of extending the interests of the League can be promoted by constituting an Epworth League Board of the Mississippi Conference. We

accordingly offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That an Epworth League Board be constituted by this Conference, to be elected quadrenially on nomination of the Presiding Elders, and to consist of one member from each Presiding Elder's District. This Board to have general charge of the League work within our bounds.

H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN, Chairman.

R. W. BAILEY, Secretary.

W. M. Stevens read the following, which was amended, and adopted as

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Conference:

Your Committee on Temperance would respectfully submit the following report:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—We rejoice in the fact that our beloved Church is pre-eminently a temperance Church. We glory in her past bistory. She has uttered no uncertain sound on this subject. Her watchword has ever been Onward! She has through the devotion of her preachers and their steady and steadfast loyalty to the cause of temperance aroused the conscience of the people, developed a wide-spread and lasting interest, and kindled an inspiring enthusiasm which is rapidly suppressing the liquor traffic, and thereby causing "the desert to rejoice and blossom as a rose."

Let due honor and praise be given also to our consecrated laymen, who have stood shoulder to shoulder with us, and proven an important factor in

the removal of this great evil from our midst.

The policy inaugurated and pursued in our State has proven a wise one. And we now note, with great gratitude to God, that through "local option," the grand old State of Mississippi has been almost entirely freed from that great curse—which is a reproach to any people—the open saloon. We have much to be thankful for. There are now but ten or eleven counties in the

State where spirituous liquors are sold.

It is a significant fact to us, however, that six of these counties are embraced within the bounds of the Mississippi Conference. We trust this state of things will not long obtain. Let the preachers who are sent to wet counties determine, by the help of God, to banish the liquor traffic from those counties, at the earliest possible date. And we do hereby pledge our hearty co-operation and prayers for the accomplishment of this great and glorious purpose.

We would gladly call special attention to that part of the legislation, by our recent General Conference, on this subject, making it an offense against the law of our Church, to sign whisky petitions or to rent a house for the sale of it. This was an advance by the Church in the right direction. For we think the Church should thoroughly purge herself of all apparent complicity in the

nefarious business.

We offer the following:

Resolved, That we will use for sacramental purposes, the pure juice of the grape, whenever practicable.

W. M. STEVENS, President. F. M. KEEN, T. P. BELL.

Geo. A. Guice read the following, which was adopted as

REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Conference:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—Your Committee re-affirms the assertions of last year's report on this subject. We are pleased to note a marked improvement in some quarters, especially among the members of our own Church, in the faithful observance of this day; but we regret to say that there is yet a wide-spread desecration, and much to be done, before our people will properly appreciate their duty to this holy day.

We would emphasize the truth that the faithful keeping of the Sabbath is the only hope of the Church, yea, and of the State, also; for to the extent to which this day is desecrated, morality ceases and christianity loses hold upon the people. We must, therefore, be wide awake as Christians, and steer clear

of the dangers that threaten us here.

We would condemn the almost universal practice of social visiting, receiving the mail, traveling on trains and otherwise, etc., on the Sabbath.

We earnestly request our Ministers to preach upon this subject, and, by

example and precept, to teach the people the necessity for the faithful observance of the Sabbath day.

We would urgently recommend the opening of our conference sessions on such a day that every preacher in our bounds can reach its place of meeting on the day of opening without the necessity to travel on the Sabbath.

We have carefully examined the communication of Bros. T. L. Mellen and M. L. Burton, members of the Mississippi State Sabbath Association, and we heartily commend the objects of the organization of this Association, and endorse the purpose to form auxililiaries thereto in the counties and municipalities of our State.

CHAS. C. CAMPBELL, Secretary. For Committee.

R. W. Bailey read the following, which was adopted as the

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Brethren:—Your Committee on the Spiritual State of the Church submits its report as follows:

Reports from the several charges indicate a year of wonderful revival power. Nearly every charge has been blessed, and many conversions are reported. Financial stringency has had its compensation in great spiritual prosperity. We thank God for these great blessings.

The work of transcendent importance before us is the edification of believ-The pastor's work ranks that of the evangelist. Our people need to be led into fuller knowledge of the grace of Jesus Christ, and into profounder conception of their obligation to love and service.

We recommend the use of the tried and approved means of grace peculiar to our Methodism, in addition to those common to all God's people. The class and prayer-meetings should be emphasized; and the Epworth League deserves much attention.

We recommend that our pastors mutually co-operate in revival work, and that as far as practicable we utilize our own resources, trusting in the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

W. H. LEWIS, Chairman.

R. W. BAILEY, Secretary.

H. M. Ellis read the following, which was adopted, as the

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Conference:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—The statistical showing of decrease in Sunday School work for 1894 is very probably due to the loss of the Louisiana territory from our Conference. There are 65 less schools, 214 less officers and teachers, and 428 less scholars, while the collection for literature has increased \$36.16, and that for missions has had \$116.47 added. This, under the circumstances, is no bad report.

Still forty-five of our preachers neglect to hold Children's Day services. We arge our preachers to see that the collections on Children's Day be applied as the law directs. The statistical records show a collection of \$544.63 on Children's Day while the Treasurer's book credits only \$432.38 to this fund, a difference of \$112.25.

There is now in the treasury \$379.30 of which \$42.56 must be paid for

printing the Conference Minutes.

Our work for the past year has been the distribution of Bibles and libra-

ries, as well as literature, and has met with general approval.

We would respectfully call the attention of our presiding elders and pastors to the law, and necessity for holding District Sunday School Conventions. We would recommend the Sunday School lesson notes, edited by Dr. E. E. Hoss, to all who wish efficient help in the preparation of lessons.

We fear the proper interest in this great cause is wanting in many of us pastors and pray God to quicken our conscience and thought for large efforts and glorious success.

J. WILSON BROWN, President.

H. M. ELLIS, Secretary.

Jno. A. Guice read the following, which was adopted as

REPORT ON THE BIBLE CAUSE.

Your Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the Bible cause, beg leave to report the following:

In our own State are many persons who are without Bibles. Especially, is this true of the children of the colored people and Indian races. This should not be the case brethren, when we can get Bibles for nothing. Christ's cause will never prosper until we make Bible readers of our people. There is an urgent call now from Mississippi for Testaments in the Choctaw language, and the supply is exhausted.

The American Bible Society has undertaken the work of placing a copy of the Bible with every Sunday School scholar in the land, and it asks all who feel an interest in this cause to help them in this great work. The Bible is translated into three hundred languages, and should be in the language of

every people.

They have issued from the Bible House 1,039,960 volumes; in foreign lands, 407,699; total 1,447,659; of these 400,176 were Bibles; 559,120 New Testaments, and 487,628 portions of the Bible, including 75,194 copies sent from the Bible House. The aggregate circulation in foreign lands was 482,893 volumes, for the year 1894.

The American Bible Society is doing a great work in foreign lands, it is supplying the Missionaries with Bibles and Testaments free of charge, and has three hundred agents and colporters employed in these fields for the purpose

of circulating the word of God among the people.

We would ask the Conference to appoint, as last, year, the month of October in which to present the claims of the American Bible Society and take the collection ordered by our Discipline for this cause. Brethren, urge this cause on all your works. Respectfully, JOHN A. GUICE, Chairman.

- J. W. McLaurin, Superintendent of the American Bible Society for the District of Mississippi and Louisiana addressed the Conference.
 - J. P. Drake submitted the following, which was adopted as the

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

To an interested observer of current events, it seems that a crisis of Mission work is indeed imminent. Who can read the eloquent letters of our beloved Bishop Galloway without a mighty swelling and burning of the heart? His tour in the East is bringing home to our hearts more vividly than ever, the awful needs of Heathendom and the great opportunities that now face the Church of the living God. The message he sends us of apostolic labors by our van-guard, moves us to pray earnestly for their preservation, and the multiplication of their number. Decided progress in the Sunrise Kingdom with a mighty movement in great Cathay "animates us with new hope and courage. After years of toilful sowing and patient waiting, we now begin to see the blade and stalk appear. The harvest is only waiting for the reapers to thrust in the sickle of truth." Such sentences as these should thrill our whole Church with eager desire "to go or send." Hear our Bishop: "The Chinaman can apprehend the Lord by faith as clearly as the American, and when he does so intelligently, rejoices just as gladly in his saving grace. And a solid Christian he makes—not as aggressive as an ardent Westerner, but stern in his fidelity to conviction, and loyal even to the endurance of persecution." Again: "Every day brings fresh evidence that the gates of the hearts as well as the cities of China are swinging open at the coming of the King of Kings." The present awful war itself may be used by a wonder-working God to bring His kingdom

to the hearts of these multiplied millions who have hitherto shut off the truth and shut out the light.

Now is our great and golden opportunity, our tremendous responsibility. What doth yet hinder us from going up and possessing these bright orient lands for Christ? Nothing that we can see but the little faith and the mighty covetousness of a Church which sleeps while her Master suffers, even as it was in Gethsemane. O for a trumpet voice to wake the sleepers! some key to unlock the coffers of the rich! some power to move the multitude to give "as they are able!" Our people are making gods of silver and gold just as truly as Israel of old. Covetousness, which has its root in that radical sin of human nature, selfishness, is eating out the heart of many a man's religion. Like the rat in the ancestral statue, spoken of by the Chinese sage of a hundred years, it cannot be "smoked out or drowned out," lest we "deface the Church or wash off its paint of respectability.

Dr. Pierson, the great advocate of Mission work, says we are in great danger of "collapse because of dry rot in the very floor timbers of our financial system." Three-fourths of the Church have never heeded the words of our Lord Jesus, when He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." We who represent His cause must lay it more closely on the conscience of our Church that unless they bring all the tithes into the storehouse of God they will be cursed with his wrath. They may feast and fatten for a time while robbing God of His due, but He will send leanness into their souls, and from them or their children will sweep away their cankered wealth with the breath of His nostrils. Oh! for Grace to give in ratio to our blessings! as some poor return for His infinite bounty!

Despite many discouragements from without, and even from some wouldbe friends, our Domestic work has gone forward with very encouraging success. Faithful men have toiled in these fields with little hire, but many souls as seals to their ministry. They deserve ten-fold more of temporal reward than they are likely to get. It is high time we should make advance move-

ments in these whitening home-fields both of city and country.
Your Board would not knowingly show partiality to any. Where the need is greatest and the door widest open, we desire to place the funds entrusted to our care that they may yield the richest results for the amounts expended.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society within our bounds, continues its efficient methods of raising money, and quickening the conscience of the Church

on this great question.

The education at East Mississippi Female College of a choice young lady, one of our own, for the foreign field, enlists their hearty interest, and increases their contributions by at least as much as this special work demands.

The totals raised during this year are

\$5,823 00 For Foreign Missions..... For Domestic Missions.....\$2,529 71 Besides special for Indians..... 180 00-\$2,709 71

There has been raised also, through the efforts of Brother T. Masao, Sister Lambuth and others, the sum of \$500.00, with several subscriptions for the Kobe Industrial School, Japan, yet unpaid. We ought to bring the amount up to \$1,000.00 before this ('onference shall close, and thus build the house so needful. We urge our people to subscribe for our Missionary literature. It teems with facts of thrilling interest.

Brethren all, let us wake to our privilege in helping others to see the light.

OFFICERS OF NEW BOARD.

President, W. B. Lewis; Secretary, J. P. Drake; Statistical Secretary, J. V. Penn; Treasurer, T. S. West; Conference Secretary, J. W. Chambers; Agent for Indian Mission, A. D. Miller

Resolutions submitted for adoption by the Conference:

Resolved, 1. That we will renew our efforts to secure all our Missionary assessments (and as much more as possible) during the first quarter.

Resolved, 2. As helping herein that we will observe the "do-without-week" in our congregations before the first of April.

Resolved, 3. That we redouble our efforts to bring all our Sunday Schools to the disciplinary requirements as Missionary Societies.

Resolved, 4. That we urge our people to subscribe for and read our Missionary Literature, especially our "Methodist Review of Missions" and "The World For Christ."

Resolved, 5. That we will forward all money promptly to the proper Treasurer.

Resolved, 6. That we appreciate the action of the official Boards of East End and West End Meridian, in asking to be retired from the list of Missions and thus becoming self-sustaining, and we commend their example.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board,

J. P. DRAKE, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

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Meridian District		414 65
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Woodville District	**** ******	263 60
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Vicksburg District		454 25
Brookhaven District		401 66
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Paid 65 6-10 per cent. on assessment, as can be seen from Statistical Secretary's report.

Assessments by Districts for Missions.

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1,135 00	Vicksburg	450 00
1,125 00	NatchezMeridian	450 00 450 00
1,070 00	Sea Shore	425 00
1,000 00	EnterpriseBrandon.	425 00 400 00
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W. J. Ferguson read the following, which was adopted as

REPORT ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

Your Committee has carefully examined the Vicksburg, Jackson, Sea Shore, Meridian, Brookhaven District Conference Records, and find each Record nicely arranged and well kept. We extend our congratulations to the

faithful Secretaries for their careful attention to their different Records. The Brandon and Woodville District Conference Record were not given to the Committee.

W. J. FERGUSON, Secretary.

The Fortieth Question was called. "Where shall the next Session of the Conference be held?" Yazoo City was nominated and elected.

The following resolutions of thanks were adopted:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Conference are due, and are hereby tendered to the good people of Meridian for their hospitable entertainment of this body; to the officials of the various evangelical Churches for the use of their pulpits so kindly tendered us; to the various railroads for favors shown, and to the newspapers of Meridian and New Orleans for courtesies shown.

H. M. ELLIS, H. WALTER FEATHERSTUN, F. M. KEEN.

The following was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That we regret to hear of the long and serious illness of our Brother D. A. Little, Presiding Elder of this (Meridian) District, and pray that God may be with him in comforting and healing power.

T. L. MELLEN, R. D. NORSWORTHY.

The first Question was called. "Who are admitted on trial?" None.

A collection was taken up for J. H. Evans, amounting to \$39.66.

The Minutes of the present session were read and approved.

The Bishop gave out Hymn 229, which was sung by the Conference.

The Forty-first Question was called. "Where are the preachers stationed this year?"

Bishop Keener read the following list of

Vicksburg-

APPOINTMENTS.

The figures show the number of years served consecutively in the same appointment.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT-J. M. WEEMS, P. E., 2.

EdwardsJ. P. Drake, 3
BoltonJ. T. Leggett, 1
Utica W. H. Huntley, 1
Rocky Springs W. M. Stevens, 2
HermanvilleG. A. Guice, 2
HarristonJ. W. Crisler, 1
Port Gibson H. M. Ellis, 1
-C. A. Powell, P. E., 1.
Whittington E. T. Breland, 1
Bay St. LousN. B. Harmon, 3
Pearlington and Log Town
W. G. Forsythe, 1
Nicholson MissionJ. H. Holland, 1
Purvis
ColumbiaJ. G. Sibley, 2
Hattiesburg H. D. Howell, 3

LIST OF APPOINTMENTS—Continued.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT-R. J. Jones, P. E., 1.

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Meridian—CentralR. S. Woodward, 2 South SideD. Scarborough, 2 East EndW. L. C. Hunnicutt, 1 West EndL. W. Cooper, 1 ChunkeyL. P. Meador, 3 Rose HillG. H. Galloway, 2 DeKalbH. W. Van Hook, 1 BinnsvilleH. G. Hawkins, 1 Portersville MissionC. M. Crossley, 1 LauderdaleG. H. Thompson, 2	Marion
ENTERPRISE DISTRI	CT-L. CARLEY, P. E., 1.
Enterprise and Stonewall	Waynesboro CircuitJ. N. Ware, 2 LeaksvilleJ. C. Ellis, 1 VossburgJ. V. Penn, 1 HeidlebergH. C. Brown, 1 Ellisville and LaurelF. M. Keen, 1 EastabutchieH. B. Trevillion, 1 WilliamsburgA. C. Burt, 2
Waynesboro and State Line	
D. A. Little, 1	Mt. Carmel M. L. White, 4
BRANDON DISTRICT	-C. McDonald, P. E., 4.
Brandon Station W. J. Roberts, 2 Carthage W. M. Sullivan, 1 Walnut Grove H. B. Vandenberg, 2 Hillsboro C. C. Evans, 3 Decatur W. M. Williams, 3 Newton and Hickory J. T. Nicholson, 1 Lake R. F. Witt, 3 Morton and Forest H. E. Patridge, 1	Clarksburg
JACKSON DISTRICT—	E. H. Mounger, P. E., 4.
Jackson— First Church	Yazoo Circuit
Brookhaven B. F. Jones, 1 Wesson T. L. Mellen, 2 North Wesson W. T. Griffin, 1 Caseyville W. G. Backus, 2 Martinsville B. W. Lewis, 2 Hazlehurst R. W. Bailey, 2 Gallman I. B. Robertson, 1 Crystal Springs M. L. Burton, 1 Pleasant Grove L. J. Jones, 4 China Grove W. W. Morse, 1 Summit H. P. Lewis, 2	Adams

LIST OF APPOINTMENTS-Continued.

NATCHEZ DISTRICT-L. S. Jones, P. E., 1.

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Jefferson Street W. B. Lewis, 3	N
Wesley Chapel M. M. Black, 1	V
WashingtonV. V. Boone, 1	
Fayette W. W. Simmons, 2	
Barlow W. E. Rutledge, 1	P
RoxieJ. N. Tucker, 2	N
Amite N. B. Young, 1	E
Gloster and Centerville	
B S Rayner 1	

WilkinsonP. H. Howse, 1
North WilkinsonM. J. Miller, 1
Woodville and MissionB. F.
Lewis, 1, one to be supplied
(J. A. Bishop,) 1
Percy CreekJ. W. Brown, 3
MeadvilleW. L. Linfield, 1
Homochitto Missionto be sup-
plied by (G. M. Hull)

CONDENSED MINUTES.

- 1. Who are admitted on trial? None.
- 2. Who remain on trial? Marvin McKendree Black, Elbert T. Breland, Chas. F. Emery, Daniel Scarborough, J. Harvey Shannon, J. D. Ellis, Fletcher B. Ormond, Thomas H. King in Deacon's Orders, Robert E. Rutledge, Waldo W. Moore, William M. Williams. The following were continued in the class of the first year, viz: Clarence M. Crossley, Albert C. Burt, John H. Foreman, George W. Huff, T. J. Norsworthy, J. C. Ellis.
 - 3. Who are discontinued? J. R. Whittington.
- 4. Who are admitted into full connection? Harrison B. Vandenberg, Henry W. Van Hook, Robert H. Barr, Paul D. Hardin, Adolphus T. Bell, William Job Roberts, Henry G. Hawkins.
 - 5. Who are re-admitted? None.
- 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? W. M. Sullivan, J. T. Leggett, W. L. Linfield, R. S. Gale, R. B. Downer, from the Louisiana Conference; E. E. Langford, in the first year, from the Texas Conference; James A. Moore, in Elder's Orders, from the Alabama Conference. Henry G. Hawkins, from the Japan Mission Conference.
- 7. Who are the Deacons of one year? James T. Leggett, John W. Tinnin, William M. Sullivan. The following were continued in the class of the third year: William T. Griffin, Charles C. Evans, Barney W. Lewis, Gabriel R. Ellis, James T. Abney, William J. Dawson, Martin L. White, James G. Cammack, Henry C. Brown, Hiram B. Trevillion.
- 8. What traveling preachers are elected Deacons? Harrison B. Vandenberg, Paul D. Hardin, Adolphus T. Bell, Henry G. Hawkins, Robert H. Barrin Deacon's Orders. Henry W. Van Hook in Deacon's Orders. William Job Roberts in Deacon's Orders. The following were continued in the class of the second year, viz: Matthew J. Miller, Thomas J. Norsworthy, J. S. Hodges.
- 9. What traveling preachers are ordained Deacons? Harrison B. Vandenberg, Paul D. Hardin, Adolphus T. Bell, Henry G. Hawkins.
- 10. What local preachers are elected Deacons? Joseph Martin Alford, Jackson Circuit; George Marion Hull, Rose Hill Circuit; Jos. Alonzo Bishop, Wesson Station; Murray Gabriel Felder, Summit Circuit; James Nicholas Broadway, Mathersville Circuit; Marvin McKendree Black, Crystal Springs Station; Thomas H. Harrod, Montrose Circuit; John Robert Hays, Carthage Circuit.
- 11. What local preachers are ordained Deacons? Joseph Martin Alford, George Marion Hull, John Robert Hays, Jos Alonzo Bishop, Murray Gabriel Felder, James Nicholas Broadway, Marvin McKendree Black, Thomas H. Harrod, J. Harvey Shannon, John D. Ellis.

- 12. What traveling preachers are elected Elders? George A. Guice, John W. Crisler, Henry W. Wallace, Kirby Smith Enochs, Wiley J. Ferguson, Wm. M. Stevens, Francis M. Keen. Continued in the fourth year, Geo. H. Thompson, Albert C. Flowers.
- 13. What traveling preachers are ordained Elders? George A. Guice, John W. Crisler, Henry W. Wallace, Kirby Smith Enochs, Wiley J. Ferguson, William M. Stevens, Francis M. Keen.
 - 14. What local preaches are elected Elders? None.
 - 15. What local preachers are ordained Elders? None.
- 16. Who are located this year? A. C. Flowers, J. F. Marshall, at their own request.
 - 17. Who are supernumerary? J. W. Sandell, J. S. Parker.
- 18. Who are superannuated? Thomas Price, D. Merchant, A. B. Nicholson, W. E. Ballard, W. B. Hines, H. J. Harris, E. A. Flowers, G. Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, John A. Vance, J. M. Pugh, H. R. Caldwell, J. H. Evans, R. S. Gale.
 - 19. What preachers have died during the year? George T. Vickers.
- 20. Are all preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.
- 21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several Circuits, Stations and Missions of the Conference? Preachers, 156; white members, 35,017; Indians, 43; colored, 3.
 - 22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,179.
 - 23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,261.
 - 24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 18.
 - 25. What is the number of Epworth League members? 484.
 - 26. What is the number of Sunday Schools? 341.
 - 27. What is the number of Sunday School teachers? 1,967.
 - 28. What is the number of Sunday School scholars? 16,473.
- 29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$5,000.
- 30. What has been collected on the foregoing, and how has it been applied? \$4,111.02. (See report Joint Board of Finance.)
- 31. What has been contributed to the Missions? Foreign, \$5,897.21; Domestic, \$2,532.81.
 - 32. What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$1,606.25.
 - 33. What has been done for the American Bible Society? \$336.10.
- 34. What has been contributed for the support of the Presiding Elders and the preachers in charge? Presiding Elders, \$8,590.93; Preachers in charge, \$63,134.41.
 - 35. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? \$1,400.
- 36. What is the number of Societies and the number and estimated value of church edifices? Societies, 406; Churches, 375; value, \$395,431.
- 37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them? Charges, 120; Parsonages, 94; value, \$81,125.

 38. What is the number and value of District parsonages? Number, 4;
- value, \$4,500.
 - 39. What are the Educational Statistics? See page -.
 - 40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Yazoo City.
- 41. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See List of Appointments.

Conference adjourned sine die, with benediction by Bishop Keener.

CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD.

Preamble.—Feeling that we may mutually aid each other by the organization of a Brotherhood on the mutual insurance plan, and that our families might derive benefit therefrom, therefore, we, the undersigned, traveling preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the State of Mississippi, with a view to affording immediate assistance to the family of a deceased brother, do pledge ourselves to each other, according to the terms of Brotherhood hereinafter described.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This organization shall be known as the Brotherhood of Traveling Preachers of the Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

ART. II. Every effective traveling preacher of said Mississippi Conference,

not over fifty years of age, shall be eligible to membership.

ART. III. The membership of this Brotherhood shall not extend beyond the limits of said Mississippi Conference, except in case of the transfer of a member to another Conference, when said member so transferred may continue his membership by complying with the Constitution and By-Laws of said Brotherhood.

ART. IV. Any person may become an honorary member of this Brotherhood, with all its privileges and obligations, except to be a claimant on the

Mortuary fund.

ART. V. The officers of said Brotherhood shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be from time to time appointed.

ART. VI. The officers of said Brotherhood shall be elected quadrennially at the time and place of the meeting of Annual Conference, by receiving a plurality of the votes cast by those present, and shall serve without compensation.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of each beneficiary member upon official notice of the death of a member, to remit to the Treasurer an assessment of \$5.00, and of each honorary member an assessment of \$1.00. If any member shall fail to pay said assessment within sixty days after the call of the Secretary, he shall be deprived, by suspension, of all benefits of the Brotherhood, and if said assessment shall have not been paid within four months, such delinquency shall work a forfeiture of membership.

ART. VIII. No part of the foregoing Constitution shall be changed or amended, except by a majority vote of the beneficiary members of the Broth-

erhood.

BY-LAWS.

Section I. The officers of the Brotherhood shall perform such duties as usually pertain to such officers in similar organizations, and in addition

thereto, such other duties as have been specified in the Constitution.

SEC. II. The regular meetings of the Brotherhood shall be held at the place and time of meeting of the Mississippi Conference, on such day and at such hour as the President may designate, by giving due notice by proclamation in the Conference, as other notices are given; and the members of the Brotherhood present, after such notice is given, shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

SEC. III. There shall be a Board of Managers, of five members appointed by the President, within thirty days after each annual meeting of the Brotherhood, having reference to their contiguity and facilities for communication, whose duty it shall be to fill any vacancy that may occur in the offices. Said Board of Managers shall hold their offices for one year, and until their successors shall have been appointed. They shall at all times have access to the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, and shall have power of removal from office for sufficient cause. All matters for complaint shall be referred to them, and said Board of Managers shall have power in the interim of the regular meetings of the Brotherhood to advise, direct and control the affairs of the Brotherhood within the restrictions of the Constitution.

Sec. IV. Each and every person seeking admission into the Brotherhood as a beneficiary member shall take upon himself this pledge: I —— do hereby promise to comply with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Brotherhood of Traveling Preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, paying my annual dues and all mortuary assessments whenever notified and requested so to do, and to use all diligence in building up and promoting the interest of the Brotherhood; and in default hereof I agree to forfeit all my rights and

privileges under said Constitution and Laws.

SEC. V. Any member suspended for non-payment of dues, or mortuary fees, may be reinstated at any time by paying to the Treasurer the dues and assessments upon which he was suspended, together with those that have accrued during the past twelve months, and which he has failed to pay.

SEC. VI. These By-Laws, or any of them, may be altered or amended by a majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting of the Broth-

erhood.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Prayer. Calling the Roll.

2. Reports of Officers. 1st, President; 2d, Secretary; 3d, Treasurer; 4th. Board of Managers; 5th, Committees.

3. Motions and Resolutions.

4. Appointments of Committees.5. Miscellaneous Business.

6. Electing Officers.

7. Reading and adopting Minutes.

8. Adjournment.

OFFICERS OF BROTHERHOOD.

C. G. Andrews, President. B. F. Lewis, Treasurer.

H. M. Ellis, Vice-President. B. F. Jones, Secretary.

Managers.—W. B. Lewis, J. A. B. Jones, T. S. West, J. P. Drake, W. H. Lewis.

MEMBERSHIPS, BAPTISMS, CHURCH PROPERTY, EPWORTH LEACUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

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Name of Charge.	Local Preachers	No. of White Members	Total Members last year	Additions on Prof. of Faith	Additions by Certif etc	Removals by Death, Cert. etc	Ва	Вар		No. Churches	Value of Churches	No. Parsonages	Value of Par- sonages	Value of District Parsonage if any	Value of Other Church Property	ded for Churches and Parsonages	Epworth Leagues	EpwthLeagMemb	No. Schools	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. Scholars	Amount Collected for Sunday Schools	Amount Collected for Missions	Amount Collected on Children's Day	Amount Collected for other Objects	Total amount Raised
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MERIDIAN DISTRICT.—CONTINUED.

Name of Charge.	Local Preachers	No. of White Members	Total Members last year	Additions on Prof. of Faith	Additions by Certif. etc	Removals by Death, Cert. etc	Infants Bap- tized	Adults Bap- tized	Societies inCh'rge	No Churches	Value of Churches	No. Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Value of District Parsonage if any	Value of Other Church Property	Money Expended for Churches and Parsonages	Epworth Leagues	No. Schools	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. Scholars	Amount Collected for Sunday Schools.	Amount Collected for Missions	Amount Collected on Children's Day	Amount Collected for other Objects	Total amount Raised
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RECAPITULATION.

Memberships, Baptisms, Church Property, Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools.

NAME OF DISTRICT.	Local Preachers	No. of White Members	Total Members last year	Additions on Prof. of Faith.	Additions by Certif, etc	Removals by Death, Cert. etc	Infants Bap- tized	Adults Bap-	Societies inCh'rge	No. Churches	Value of Churches	No. Parsonages	Value of Par-		Value of District Parsonage if any	Value of Other Church Property.	Churches and Parsonages	Money Expended for	EpwthLeagMemb	No. Schools	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. Scholars	Amount Collec- trd for Sun- day Schools	Amount Collected for Missions	Amount Collected on Children's Day	Amount Collected for other Objects	Total amount Raised
Vicksburg Jackson Meridian Brookhaven Brandon Sea Shore Woodville	21 15 34 37 24	3770 6249 6474 6680 5378	35 ⁸ 4 5 ⁸ 11 6244 6451 4 ⁸ 98	200 496 409 418 520	229 30S 329 265 319		145 119 214 150 216 271 64	130 133 233 200 356 177 39	51 46 79 55 76 77 22	47 42 73 55 76 62 20	\$10S956 oc 66750 oc 61900 oc 49725 oc 4*450 oc 48900 oc 16750 oc	13 13 15 15 16	11350 (10350 (16975 (10050 (00	2000 00	1276 50 26765 00 78850 00 2080 00 4200 00	367 430 405 288 559	7 15 1 10 0 55 1 44 5 9 ²	1 14 5 14 2 7. 3 79 3 9.	41 62 3 54 9 54 3 65	287 247 376 322 263 367 105	2162 1919 3560 2580 2307 3186 765	515 61 685 56 594 56 338 15 628 91	279 00 20S 67 86 67 80 60 116 S1	107 95 106 20 66 90 48 48 48 27	58 20 127 26 94 00 92 81 40 00	842 83
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FINANCIAL TABLES.

FINANCE.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

Name of Charge,	Pres. I	Elder.	Pr'ch in	charge.	Bish	ops.	Con. C	l'm'ts.	For. M	issions	Dom M	lissions	Ch'rch	Ext'n.	Educa	mon.	Am. Bi- ble Scy.	Other Objects	Total from all Sources.
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JACKSON DISTRICT.

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Canton	110 00	80 00	800 00	700 00	18 00	18 10	75 00	50 00	115 00				33 00			2720 00	3570 00
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MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

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BRANDON DISTRICT.

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Homewood	50 00	24 45	400 00	190 90	6 00 _ 4 28	15 00	6 00	20 00	6 00	15 00	5 00	10 00	1 00	6 00		2 90	243 00
Raleigh	50 00	27 80	400 00	222 45	6 00 6 00	15 00	15 00	25 00	6 25	15 00	5 50	10 00	3 50	6 00	1 50	274 251	562 25

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BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

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Crystal Springs	125 00			700 00	21 00	21 00	65 00	65 00	108 00	108 00			39 00					337 52	1476 52
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